

## **Firearms Training**

Firearms training defined: Weapons training conducted at a facility and by a Board of Examiners approved instructor certified to teach such subjects in accordance with the requirements in the respective Rules & Regulations.

Duration and curriculum: The curriculum will include classroom lectures on use of force, safety, nomenclature, care of weapons and marksmanship. Range instruction emphasizes the practical application of weapons related to actual working conditions. The certified instructor at the involved training facility will attest to the qualifications of the guards. The guard must qualify with the weapon they will be using. The guard must attain 80% of the possible score.

Depending on the number of guards being trained, and considering the amount of experience, or lack of experience the training population has with firearms, the training period will vary in time, but will consist of at least but not limited to 40 hours.

Non-Qualification: Should an individual initially fail to qualify, that person would be permitted one (1) additional opportunity to attain certification. Scheduling for the additional attempt will be conducted at the convenience of the certified instructor. Under no circumstances, will an individual be permitted to carry a firearm on duty unless certified as per the requirements of the respective Rules & Regulations.

As authorized by the respective Rules & Regulations, in order to retain certification, all armed licensed individuals in the State of Delaware must receive recertification in firearms proficiency annually. The recertification must be conducted by a Board of Examiners approved firearms instructor.

A minimum of three (3) re-qualification shoots per year, scheduled on at least two (2) separate days, with at least 90 days between scheduled shoots required. Of these three, there will be one (1) mandatory "low light" shoot. Simulation is permitted and it may be combined with a daylight shoot.

Each training session shall consist of one minimum standards re-qualification course. An additional 50 rounds shall be fired for proficiency training. This is a total of 100 rounds per shoot as a minimum.

The individuals shall forward to the Professional Licensing Section, documentation of annual firearms recertification no later than January 31<sup>st</sup> of each year for the previous calendar year.

All training ammunition shall be factory fresh. All shooting is to be completed with authorized/approved weapons and equipment.

## **Minimum Standards Firearms Qualification**

### Handgun (Day)

A minimum of three qualification shoots per year, scheduled on at least two separate days, with ninety days between qualification dates.

Of the three dates, there will be one mandatory “low light” qualification. Simulation of “low light” is permitted and the “low light” qualification may be combined with a day shoot.

All training ammunition shall be factory fresh (no re-loads).

A minimum of 150 rounds of ammunition will be fired annually for proficiency training. This ammunition will NOT include the ammunition required for qualification courses.

A minimum of 80% must be obtained to be qualified with the approved handgun. The method of scoring and target selection will be determined by the instructor.

All qualifications are to be completed with authorized weapon and equipment.

Shooting will be conducted annually and may use the flashlight for target illumination and identification.

<b>YARD LINE</b>	<b>COURSE OF FIRE</b>	<b>TOTAL ROUNDS</b>
25/Greater	Behind Cover, Two Different Positions	9
15 to 7	Advancing Towards Target	9
7	Centered Behind Barricade	12
5/Less	Move Back	6
5/Less	Lateral Movement	8
5/Less	One Hand Reload, Strong/Weak Hand Only	6
<b>TOTAL OF FIFTY ROUNDS</b>		

The instructor will determine at what distance, in what manner, and how many rounds will be fired on each command.

### Handgun Low Light

These are minimum standards for low light qualification.

<b>YARD LINE</b>	<b>COURSE OF FIRE</b>	<b>TOTAL ROUNDS</b>
15 to 17	Advance Towards Target	9
7	Centered    Kneeling    Behind Barricade	16
5/Less	Lateral Movement	12
5/Less	Move Backt	6
5/Less	One Hand Reload, Strong/Weak Hand Only	7
<b>TOTAL OF FIFTY ROUNDS</b>		

The instructor will determine at what distance, in what manner, and how many rounds are fired on each command.

Qualification must be a minimum of once annually and obtain a minimum score of 80%.

### Shotgun/Long Gun Minimum Standards

Long guns include patrol level weapons designed to be fired from the shoulder (i.e. Patrol rifle, carbines, shotguns).

Individuals using shotguns/long guns will be required to qualify three times a year. Two (2) day courses and one “low light” course. Simulation of “low light” is permitted. A minimum of ninety days is required between the two day courses. The “low light” course may be combined as part of one day qualification course.

All training ammunition shall be comparable to approved ammunition in performance.

Individuals using shotguns/long guns will fire a minimum of twenty rounds of ammunition for proficiency training per year. This ammunition will not include the ammunition required for qualification courses.

A minimum of 80% must be obtained to be qualified. The method of scoring and what type of target will be determined by the instructor.

All qualifications are to be completed with authorized weapons and ammunition.

Individuals are required to qualify on each type of ammunition that is issued.

<b>YARD LINE</b>	<b>COURSE OF FIRE</b>	<b>TOTAL ROUNDS</b>
3/Greater	Two Different Positions, Three Different Places	10
<b>TOTAL OF TEN ROUNDS</b>		

The instructor will determine at what distance, in what manner, and how many rounds are fired on each command depending on the weapon and the capability of the ammunition.